

## Draft Minutes of Stanton under Bardon Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025 starting at 7:00pm at Stanton Under Bardon Village Hall, St John Cole Crescent, Stanton Under Bardon, LE67 9AE

Parish Councillors Present: Cllr Anthony Johnston (Chairman) Cllr Alan Ramsay and Cllr

Kevin Underdown

**In Attendance:** 2 members of the public

Cllr Chris Lambert – Borough Councillor Joanne Lowe (Parish Clerk and RFO)

## 057/25-26 Borough Councillor Chris Lambert gave an update:

Cllr Lambert reported on a positive planning meeting recently held with residents and HBBC Planning officers and noted that there may be an opportunity for improved collaboration between Borough Cllrs and the Parish Council when submitting planning objections.

Cllr Lambert highlighted significant forthcoming changes to planning regulations, which suggest a reduced scope for public involvement as central government seeks to streamline the process and make it easier for applications to proceed. He also reported on reforms to the Right to Buy scheme, with existing discounts expected to be removed.

In relation to the ongoing Local Government Review, the consultation period closes in one week with three options being proposed by City, the Districts/Boroughs and County Council. This reorganisation is likely to involve the appointment of a regional mayor with a broader remit, with plans to centralise and streamline funding to achieve savings.

A member of the public raised a concern regarding ivy growing through their fence panels from the recreation ground. Council agreed that this matter would be added to a future agenda for discussion..

Council meeting started 17:15

058/25-26	To receive apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve the reasons given					
	<b>RESOLVED</b> : The Council received and resolved to accept apologies from Cllr Howard and Cllr Barratt.					
059/25-26	To receive declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests and requests for dispensations in respect of items on the agenda  NOTED: None received.					
060/25-26	To consider the adoption of the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 <b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council resolved to adopt the draft minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 <sup>th</sup> June with no amendments made. The minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record of the meeting.					
061/25-26	To receive updates from the Clerk relevant to the Parish Council activities during June 2025  RESOLVED: The Council noted the following items:  Government funding for Neighbourhood Plans ends March 2026. Three complaints received about Village Hall cleanliness – a plan is in place with new equipment and a weekly checklist. Concerns raised about people allegedly living at the proposed Children's Home – no planning breach found. Village Hall volunteer meeting: 22nd July at 6:30pm. Clerk has responded to latest External Auditor request. Q1 playground inspection completed and circulated. £2,000 donation made to support Stanfest 2025 from the Parish Council Complaints about overgrown PROW and unsafe jitty referred to LCC. Village Hall now recognised as a Warm Space. Wedding party declined booking due to no tablecloths/seat covers (for information only). Line dancing teacher relocating – Clerk seeking a replacement. Tree removal complaint acknowledged; no update received. Wind-blown litter from Main Street shop reported to Council. LOROS may reapply for a grant in late 2025 – Council to consider funding options.					

062/25-26	To discuss and consider reinvestment options for Council investments
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council resolved to reinvest £85,000 into a one-year fixed-term savings account with Redwood Bank, and a further £85,000 into a one-year fixed-term savings account with Charity Bank.
063/25-26	To discuss and consider the proposal of a Parish Assistant at Stanton under  Bardon Parish Council
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council agreed to the proposal and resolved to draft a job outline and description in line with the current role of the Clerk for consideration at a future Parish Council meeting.
064/25-26	To note the draft minutes from the Village Hall Management Committee  Meeting on 21st May 2025
	RESOLVED: Council noted the draft minutes.
065/25-26	To discuss and consider the S106 update from Hinckley and Bosworth  Borough Council
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> Council noted the S106 update and resolved to contact the Borough Council to investigate whether there is any scope to renegotiate the allocation of existing S106 funds, to clarify if the Parish Council can reallocate the funds to a different project and understand the process for doing so and to seek a definition of what specifically qualifies as outdoor sports provision as the existing allocation.
066/25-26	To review and approve the monthly financial report up to June 25  RESOLVED: The Council approved the financial report up to June 2025
067/25-26	To review and approve bank statements and bank reconciliations for June 2025  RESOLVED: The Council approved the bank statements and bank reconciliations for June 2025.
068/25-26	To review and approve the budget monitoring report and forecast at the end of Q1  RESOLVED: The Council approved the budget monitoring report and forecast at the end of Q1
069/25-26	To review and approve the list of payments for July 2025
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> The Council approved the following list of payments scheduled for July 2025:

Payee	Details	Amount	VAT	
Staff	Staff Salaries for July 2025	2787.72	0.00	
LRALC	Being a Good Employer	40	0.00	
Early Years Book Keeping	Annual Payroll Services	213	0.00	
Water Plus	Water to Allotments	138.24	0.00	
HBBC	Trade Waste Collection – Q2	105.63	0.00	
Darwin Davies	Installation of Fire Assembly Point Sign	45	0.00	
Aqua	Legionella Control	85.00	17.00	
HSBC	Monthly Bank Charge	8.00	0.00	
Scribe	Bookings Software –July 2025	20	4.00	
Yu	Electricity – June 25	33.15	1.66	
British Gas Lite	Gas – June 25	43.18	5.38	
Burnt Oaks	Grounds Maintenance – June 25	370	74.00	
Burnt Oaks	Installation of Flagpole	420	84.00	
Three	Mobile Phones x 2 – June 25	14.31	2.86	
	Total	4323.23	188.90	
To CONSIDER whether to submit formal responses to the following applications  25/00598/FUL: Construction of a new classroom LOCATION: Stanton Under Bardon Community Primary School Main Street Stanton Under Bardon Markfield Leicestershire  RESOLVED: The Council resolved to write a letter of support to the application.				
RESOLVED: The		of support to th	e	

Council Meeting finished at 20:29

Signed by	
Chair	Date